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Towards ECSC 2025: Selection of Albania's National Team Underway



The selection process for Albania's national team at the European Cyber Security Challenge 2025 is ongoing. Participants are testing their skills in practical scenarios of defense and incident response, with further trainings and challenges to determine the final team.

In October, the 10 best candidates will represent Albania in Warsaw at Europe's most prestigious competition for young cybersecurity talent. With the support of UNDP Albania and the project "Youth for Inclusion, Equality, and Trust", AKSK is transforming the skills and passion of Albanian youth into real opportunities for success and international representation.

NCSA Introduces New Weekly Reporting Mechanism for Critical Infrastructures

The National Cybersecurity Authority held a meeting with representatives of critical and important information infrastructures, in line with the new Cybersecurity Law and the requirements of the NIS2 Directive. The focus was on presenting a new weekly reporting mechanism for cyber attempts and non-impact incidents, aimed at strengthening preventive and response capacities.

General Director Mr. Igli Tafa underlined that accurate and regular reporting is not only a legal obligation under NIS2, but also a key element for protecting national infrastructures and consolidating cooperation between NAKC and responsible institutions.



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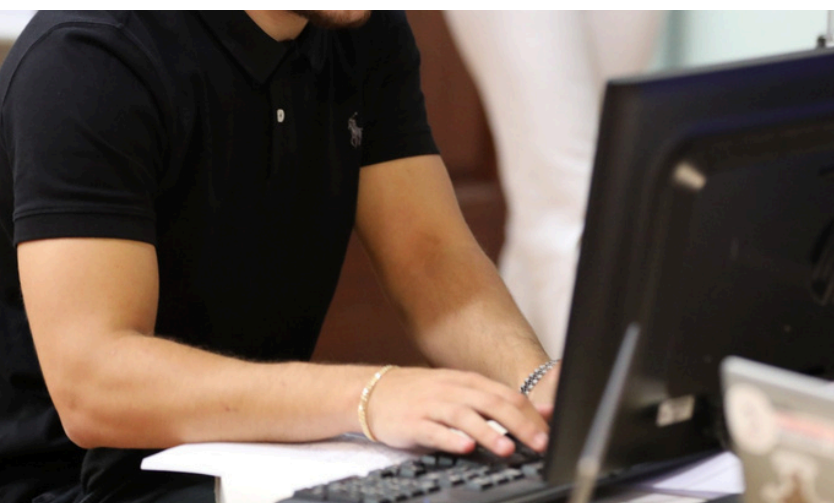


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National Cybersecurity Marathon: Challenges & Broad Participation

Since August 1, the National Cybersecurity Marathon has brought together students and young professionals from 25 universities and vocational schools across the country. In its first phase, focused on Foundations of Cybersecurity & Security Operations Center, participants completed 87 CTF challenges and captured 80 flags, reflecting strong engagement and technical capability.

The initiative will continue with advanced phases on Threat Intelligence, Defensive Security (Blue Team), and Offensive Security (Red Team), further strengthening national capacities for a safer and more resilient digital environment in Albania.

Albania and Israel Exchange Best Practices in Cybersecurity

In line with ongoing efforts to enhance digital resilience, the National Authority for Cybersecurity welcomed a delegation from Israel for a dedicated workshop on technical cooperation and the exchange of best practices. General Director of NCSA, Mr. Igli Tafa, emphasized the importance of this partnership in building an integrated and sustainable national cybersecurity system.

The Ambassador of Israel to Albania, H.E. Galit Peleg, reaffirmed her country's commitment to supporting Albania in addressing digital challenges. The workshop gathered representatives from key national institutions, confirming a shared vision for long-term cooperation and a safer digital space for citizens and institutions.



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